

Claims:

1. An elevator car comprising a single, rigid toe guard member (10) slidably mounted to the bottom of the car so as to be slidable upwards in the event that the toe guard member strikes the bottom of a hoist way pit.
2. An elevator car as claimed in claim 1 wherein the toe guard member (10) is slidably mounted to the car door sill bracket (2).
3. An elevator car as claimed in claim 1 or 2 comprising one or more strengthening brackets (24) that depend downwardly from the underside of the car, said toe guard member (10) being slidably mounted to said bracket(s).
4. An elevator car as claimed in claim 3 wherein the strengthening bracket(s) (10) is/are rigid and shorter than the toe guard member (10).
5. An elevator car as claimed in any preceding claim comprising a safety switch (30) arranged to stop the elevator in the event that the toe guard member (10) is pushed to the uppermost end of its travel.